GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2398
ANSWERED ON:09.08.2005
CONSTITUTION OF DEVELOPMENT BOARDS
Gaikwad Shri Eknath Mahadeo;Narhire Smt. Kalpana Ramesh

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details with regard to the Development Boards existing in the country alongwith the Development Boards likely to be constituted in the country;

(b) whether the Government of Maharashtra has been persisting for the constitution of a separate Development board for the Konkan and Marathwada region;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether planning commission has submitted a draft report for constitution of such a board for this region; and

(e) if so, the details thereof alongwith the decision taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MANIKRAO HODLYA GAVIT)

(a): Three Development Boards viz. the Vidarbha Development Board, the Marathwada Development Board and the Development Board for the Rest of Maharasthra, constituted in terms of Article 371 (2) of the Constitution, are functioning in Maharashtra. The Government, as of now does not propose to constitute any new Development Board.

(b)&(c): A proposal was received from the Government of Maharashtra for establishment of a separate Development Board for Konkan region (which presently forms part of the Development Board for Rest of Maharashtra) by amending article 371(2) of the Constitution. Government of Maharashtra has recently been requested to obtain the views of both Houses of the State Legislature, on the setting up a separate Development Board for Konkan.

(d): No, Sir.

(e): Does not arise.